

12 FOUNDATION STONES

The 12 Elements of the Gospel



The Foundation and Altar of the Faith



The Elements of the Gospel: The Word of God



- Learn how God designed the 12 Foundation stones for you to identify Jesus Christ.
- Learn how God planned is that we carry on a tradition of likeness through knowledge.



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Introduction

The purpose of this lesson is to further your understanding of the foundation of your faith. In the first lesson you learned that God's DNA is the instructions encoded into each of the 12 elements of the gospel that tells your faith how to function.

[**Reminder:** Remember that the 12 *Foundation Stones* are the 12 Elements of the Gospel. Each Elements is a stone set in the foundation of the faith. The 12 Elements of the Gospel are the foundation and altar of the faith.]

Remember what the 12 elements of the gospel are:

1. GRACE
2. FAITH
3. RIGHTEOUSNESS
4. JUSTIFICATION
5. SANCTIFICATION
6. HOLINESS
7. PEACE
8. REST
9. CHARITY
10. TRUTH
11. REGENERATION
12. THE RENEWING OF THE MIND

In the first lesson you became familiar with the words:

- Blueprint (1 Chronicles 28:11-19)
- Pattern (Hebrews 8:5)
- Foundation (1 Corinthians 3:10)

You learned that God applies these words to the 12 Elements of the Gospel to teach us how to make Jesus the pattern of our faith. You learned that:

1. God uses knowledge to create the likeness of Christ in you.
2. The 12 elements of the gospel are God's blueprint of life in Christ.
3. The life of Christ is formed inside the New or Second Covenant.



Now you know why
 KNOWLEDGE = FUNCTION and
 KNOWLEDGE = LIKENESS

When Christians say, "I don't know how to walk in righteousness and holiness. I live in defeat!" what they are actually saying is, "I don't know how my faith functions. I do not possess the likeness of Christ."

God Wants You to Identify Jesus Christ



How can you identify Jesus Christ?

God designed the 12 Elements of the Gospel [12 *Foundation Stones*] for you to identify Jesus Christ and for God to identify Jesus Christ in you.

In this lesson we will explain further what it means to “identify” Jesus Christ and how we do that. To begin with, we are going to talk about why Jesus is called the Word of God.

Jesus called Himself “THE WORD OF GOD” to manifest Himself as our CREATOR and to manifest Himself as our SALVATION. We are first going to look first at what it means when we say that Jesus manifested Himself as our CREATOR.



The Word of God, our Creator

In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. . .by His WORD. He said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. Everything that God created both visible and invisible, He created by His Word. As the Lord testified in the gospel of John saying: “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were created by Him--by the Word of God, and without Him was not anything created that was created.

In Him was life. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father), full of grace and truth.”

Of course, this passage of scripture is referring to Jesus Christ. God identifies Jesus as the “WORD of God” to teach us that He speaks to humanity by all things He created.



The fingerprint of the God-Code in all creation.

We are talking here about the fingerprint of the God-Code. Whether visible or invisible, God placed His testimony in everything He created: in the universe, in the earth, in nature, in the human body, and in the soul itself. God placed a portion of Himself in everything so we could see Him.

When we talk about the God-Code which God has placed in everything He created, we are talking about the perfection of His creation and how each creature fulfill its purpose according to how God willed it.

Do you ever wonder why you are drawn to the breathtaking vastness and splendor of the universe? It is because God set a portion of Himself there for you to see Him. Looking up into the night sky we feel drawn to the wonders spread out as a blanket before us. We can't help but ponder about the God who created such magnificent sights!



We are drawn to nature's splendor in the same way because God set a portion of Himself there for us to see Him. He speaks to humanity by all things He created saying, I exist. I am your Creator.



We see God's majesty in the mountains, His order in each eco system, His power in wind and storm, lightning and thunder. The beauty and diversity He bestowed upon golden fields of grain, upon bountiful orchards rich in fruit, and upon vineyards from which flow rivers of wine, makes us stand in awe of Him.

We see God's order in each eco system.

From the tulip fields of Holland, splashed with red, yellow, purple, and pink, to the exotically plumed birds of the Amazon, and the fascinating world of tropical fish, God dazzles our senses with color.

From the graceful song of the morning bird, to the gentle sound of the brook, to the voice of music that flows from flute and violin alike, God dazzles our senses with sound. How amazing God is!

Paul affirmed this by writing, "For the invisible things of Him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse" (Rom.1:20).

Paul preached in Lystra saying, "[God] left not himself without witness, in that he did good, and gave us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness."

From these passages of scripture we can understand that none can say, "I did not know there was a God." For God manifested Himself in all the glory of His creation. The Psalmist wrote, "He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered: the Lord is gracious and full of compassion" (Ps.111:4).



God gave every culture a language to testify of the splendor of His works; and even if they refuse to attribute it to Him, His testimony still stands. So it is that when an atheist looks at the wonders of the universe or the complexity of the human body and calls it “beautiful,” it is God who draws that testimony from him.

The Trace of Your Finger



With every gaze and every thought upon God’s creation, you are tracing, with your finger, the letters of His name, for God assigned a letter to everything He created.

Letters make words, and words make sentences. God is speaking to you of Himself.

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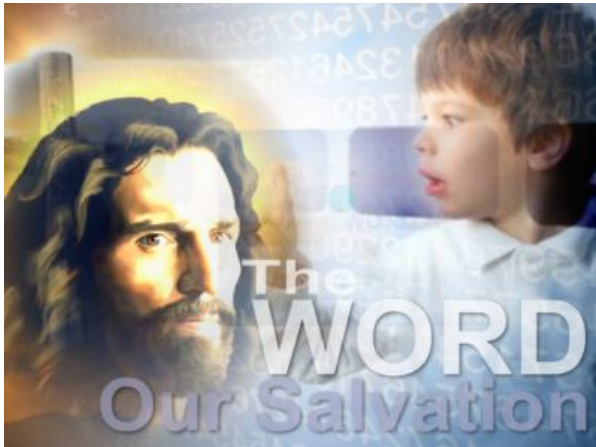
God is saying, “I am the pattern . . . or recipe . . . of all life. . . I am Life. . . All things exist and live because they are tethered to Me.” And so we are able to identify our Creator by just looking around us. God left a *testimony* in everything He created as a *memorial* to Himself.

However wonderful this is, the soul cannot be saved by this knowledge, or experience the life of Christ by this pattern. The Word had to take the form of flesh, called Jesus Christ to speak to us of our redemption, and by this new knowledge, provide Himself as the door to God’s kingdom.

The Word made flesh, Jesus Christ, shed His blood to provide in Himself a New Covenant, a new language for man to hear His voice, and a new priesthood for our communion with Him.



The Word of God our Salvation



God now speaks to us through Jesus Christ saying, “I am your Savior.” And, instead of placing a letter upon everything He created, God placed in Jesus the 12 Elements of the Gospel (the 12 Foundation Stones) that we may not only identify Him, but walk in all the things He provided by the cross. God’s memorial is now in Jesus Christ.

God now speaks to us through Jesus Christ.

Jesus is the original pattern our faith must be measured by for justification. We see this in God’s command, “Be ye holy for I am holy.” (1 Peter 1:16) God said it plainly, we are not holy, He is. We are to be as He is. God made this possible by giving us Jesus to measure our faith by. He is not only the corner stone of our faith, He is the design of each of the 12 Foundation Stones that are laid in each heart that we may identify Jesus in each stone and measure our faith by Him.

God weighs and measures things all things on the scale of His own soul. He is the Oath of all creation. The 12 Foundation Stones allow us to weigh and measure faith on the same scale by measuring our faith to Jesus Christ.

We are to associate faith with His token. The Father’s token is Jesus Christ. Jesus proved this when He said:

- “The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand.” (John 3:35)
- “But Jesus answered them, My Father worketh hitherto, and I work.” (John 5:17)
- “For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son.” (John 5:22)
- “For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself.” (John 5:26)
- “As the living Father hath sent me, and I live by the Father: so he that eateth me, even he shall live by me.” (John 6:57)



- “I am one that bear witness of myself, and the Father that sent me beareth witness of me.” (John 8:18)
- “For the Father himself loveth you, because ye have loved me, and have believed that I came out from God.” (John 16:27)

In saying these things Jesus was saying, “I am the token of your faith. If you accept this token, My Father accepts your faith.” You need the 12 Foundation Stones to accept Jesus Christ as the token of the Father. Your faith must represent Him. Or, He must be represented in your faith.

Let’s go back to God’s command that we be holy as He is holy. Each Foundation Stone (Element of the Gospel) allow us to identify with Jesus Christ perfectly in His knowledge. He only in holy. The knowledge, as the 12 Foundation Stones is set within the heart for God to identify Jesus Christ in us. He accepts you as holy, for He sees His Son in you.

The False Religious System (FRS) made herself the standard and this is why false faith is of the aspiration, which is seen in their religious practice, how it is centered on need rather than faith, trying to fit holiness into the flesh. Another way of saying this is that she (the FRS) made faith about self in place of Jesus Christ. God is now correcting and judging this wickedness with the sword of truth.

Jesus Christ is the original pattern for justification and she (the FRS) made herself the pattern. For false faith mates the aspiration with the flesh to increase faith. She did corrupt the earth by her fornication and the earth lies in wickedness.

We are to mate with God. That means, we are to take His WORD (the 12 Foundation Stones) and mate with Him. Mating is a form of reciprocation for increase. We are to reciprocate Christ for the increase of His kingdom.

We are not the Word of God. Jesus is the Word of God. His name shall be called THE WORD OF GOD (Revelation 19:13). God spells Jesus’ name with each letter of the 12 Foundation Stones. That is the language of the Spirit.

God is now speaking to us by the knowledge of our salvation, teaching us how to function in His kingdom. So now, instead of tracing your finger over all creation to see God, you can trace your finger over each Element of the Gospel (each Foundation Stone)



to see Jesus Christ. God left a *testimony* in Jesus Christ for our faith. He created as a *memorial* to Himself in His knowledge.

God took on our likeness to communicate to us about our redemption, and then set a pattern of likeness in us (this foundation knowledge) whereby we may communicate to Him the same likeness of Christ.

A Tradition of Likeness Through Knowledge

God's plan is that we carry on a tradition of likeness through knowledge, through the 12 Foundation Stones of the faith:

- (1) GRACE (2) FAITH (3) RIGHTEOUSNESS (4) JUSTIFICATION (5) SANCTIFICATION (6) HOLINESS (7) PEACE (8) REST (9) CHARITY (10) TRUTH (11) REGENERATION (12) RENEWING OF THE MIND



God's plan is that we carry a tradition of likeness through knowledge.

You might not be used to thinking about “knowledge” as necessary for faith. You might have been taught that all you had to do to be saved was to believe in Jesus. The problem with that teaching is that a solid foundation of knowledge is not placed in you and you don't know how your faith is supposed to function.

Let's bring this home to you now. What would God say to you to help you better understand the importance of His knowledge? He would say:



- God would say, “Your soul used to be in bondage to Satan, but now, by My Word, I free you.” How does that happen? It happens when you learn how your faith functions with each of the 12 Elements.
- God would say, “Your soul used to live by every word of darkness, but now you live by My Word, which represents the truth in My Son. *How does that happen?* It happens when you learn how your faith functions with each of the 12 Elements in truth.
- God would say, “Your soul used to be empty, but now I am filling every cavern of your soul with My virtues.” *How does that happen?* It happens when you learn how your faith functions with each of the 12 Elements and you experience the work within your soul.
- God would say, “Your mind used to be controlled by doubt and fear, but now My grace, peace, and truth govern your mind.” *How does that happen?* It happens when you learn how your faith functions with each of the 12 Elements.

By now you are beginning to see the importance of the knowledge of Christ and why Jesus Christ identified Himself as our hope. God wants us to have His mind. And God’s mind is revealed in Christ.

When we say that God’s mind is revealed in Christ we are pointing again to the 12 Elements of the Gospel. This is God’s mind in Christ.

It is easy to understand how God speaks to us through the Elements of the Gospel and how we carry the likeness of Christ through knowledge.

Spiritual DNA

Let’s go back and draw some additional analogies between natural DNA and spiritual DNA. DNA is life’s instructions. There are 4 characters in the DNA alphabet. The DNA strand is made up of letters. The letters make words, and the words make sentences. These "sentences" are called genes. This is how your body receives instructions about function, growth, reproduction, and all the processes necessary for living.



Spiritually speaking THE ELEMENTS are God's life instructions to you.

There are 12 ELEMENTS in God's SPIRITUAL DNA ALPHABET.

The Likeness of Christ is made up of THESE LETTERS, the 12 Foundation Stones:

G,F,R,J,S,H,P,r,C,T,Rg,Rw

The LETTERS make WORDS and the

WORDS make SENTANCES

The "sentences" are called the mystery of Christ in you, the hope of glory. This is how we "identify" Jesus Christ and this is how your faith receives instructions about functions, spiritual growth, spiritual reproduction (the increase of the fruit of Christ in you), and all processes necessary for the living reality of Christ in you.

The WORD is Christ

Did you know that God assigned a letter to everything He created, and then He took all those letters and made a Word and that Word is Christ. Jesus Christ is the Oath of all creation. As we learned, God is speaking to us through all creation, telling us that He is the author of all life. Every animal of the forest, every bird of the air, every fish of the sea, all plants, crops, flowers, trees, and every human being, carries the pattern of life that tethers them to God. Everything lives because God is the life giver.

The same Word that spoke life to all creation speaks life to the soul. As Jesus is the author and tether of all life, He is the author and tether of salvation to all who believe in Him.

Just as Jesus assigned His work of creation to a letter, He assigned His work in the soul to the 12 Elements of the Gospel. Each element is a letter and the letters make a Word and that Word is Christ. God is now speaking to us through the 12 elements of the gospel, to give us the knowledge of Christ for our faith and experience of Him.



God Gives Faith Meaning in Him

Why did God do that? God did that to give your faith meaning in Him. For God to accept your faith, He needs to see an image of Jesus Christ in your faith. He designed a way to do that through the 12 Elements of the Gospel. This record of Christ is the blueprint of life that represents Him perfectly.

When you try to serve God, giving meanings (definitions) to the elements that is not according to what He ascribed to each of the elements you are not talking the same language as God, but a language which is foreign to what He gave us in His Son. God speaks through the prophet Isaiah in Isa 1:18, "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

We can only reason with God when we speak the same language, not ours, but His. When we are willing to learn His language we are able to understand what He expects from us for faith and we experience that what His expectation is within our reach.



Covenant Faith: Three Simple Steps to Making a Decision To Follow Christ

Everyone comes to a point in their life where they want to know more about God. Some people say they want to get closer to God. Some say they sense something missing in their faith. Others say they are desperately trying to fill a void in their life. However you say it, God has been ministering to you and calling you to Him for a long time. You may have tried different religions or churches, looking for God. Or maybe you tried to find God in nature. But no matter what you tried, you always came back to the same place of emptiness, feeling there should be something more to life.

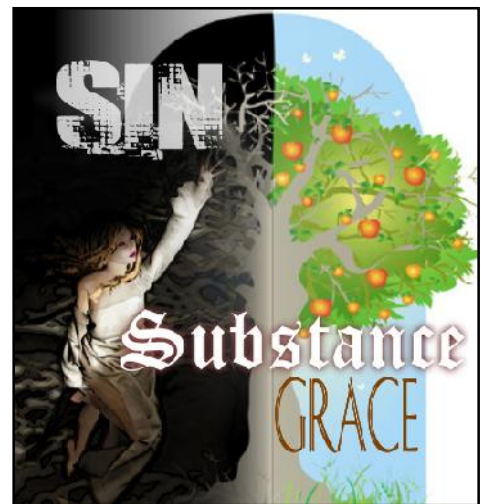


Regardless of how much life or religion has disappointed you, God was there time and again, encouraging you not to give up. He was there telling you that He would help you. There is a Psalm that says, “Hear my voice, O God, in my prayer: preserve my life from fear of the enemy,” Psalm 64:1. And another favorite is, “Preserve me, O God: for in thee do I put my trust,” Psalm 16:1.

So, here you are. All those moments of intervention on God’s part (His grace) has brought you to this point where your faith is about to embark on the final journey home.

Covenant Faith in Jesus Christ is that journey. It is vital that you understand what happened when Jesus shed His blood, and what His death and resurrection means to God. God wants to save, heal, and deliver you. God wants to remove you from Satan’s kingdom of darkness where you were spiritually imprisoned by his lies. God invites you to have a personal

relationship with Him in His kingdom, where He will accept you as His child and free you of the hold Satan has on you. God’s invitation is to free you to Him.



Covenant Faith is a simple faith to walk. You’ll learn what it means to become a Christian, and how it is possible to please God and live the kind of life He wants you to



live every day. You'll learn how easy it is to have a personal relationship with God as you walk in your spiritual priesthood.

The truth of Jesus Christ will be broken down for you in ways you never thought possible. God will begin to answer many questions that you had about Him and the purpose of your existence.

Let's now go through a few steps that will guide you to make a faith decision to follow Jesus Christ in the new way of His covenant.

Step One: Understand Where You Are Spiritually and How You Got There

For most, life's journey is not an easy one. It is much like being on a ship, drifting through thick fog; you feel lost and uncertain of your future. Every time the waves threatened to capsize your ship you cried out, "God, where are you?! I can't see through this fog, and the waves are too high for me! Help me!"

This cry the soul makes for God is desperately repeated thousands of times every day. The Psalmist said, "Hide not thy face far from me; put not thy servant away in anger: thou hast been my help; leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation," Psalm 27:9.





What the Bible Says About Man's Condition



Man's separation from God is a direct result of Adam having accepted Satan's promises. Satan gave Adam knowledge for his mind to work with that was a direct contradiction to the things God had told Adam. God told Adam not to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, and Satan said, "Yes, but. . .if you eat of this tree you will get what you want."

Satan offered Adam knowledge (promise) that worked with what Adam wanted and by that knowledge, Satan taught Adam how to work around what God had said. In this way Satan took captive Adam's mind, and this is

why all Adamites today are prisoners to the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life.

This is what God said: "But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die," Genesis 2:17. God breaks sin down for us: Sin is the kingdom of Satan that Adam joined himself to by reaching for Satan's promise. There is no life in Satan's kingdom, only death.

Nothing about sin has changed since the garden. Satan continues to promise liberty, but his promise is a bondage to our self image, which brings uncertainty, works doubt in the heart, and causes man to live in fear.

Knowing these things makes the choice for life easy. Choose life by choosing to enter into God's kingdom by coming into covenant with Him.

Step Two: Recognize the Voice of God Calling You

Did you know: Everyone has heard the voice of God calling them out of Satan's kingdom many times. This call is the most wonderful and sweet thing imaginable. It is like a call home, a longing to be with God, a knowing that you were created for something other than what you are now experiencing.

God's call to you is special. But it's only when you stop and listen that you can hear Him more clearly. You may be wondering, If God has been calling me all my life. why has it been so difficult to find him? The reason for this difficulty is that Satan has been there too.



Every time you heard God calling you, Satan was there hanging around, listening, just like he did in the garden when God spoke to Adam. Satan designed many spiritual paths hoping you would choose one and get lost, looking for God's purpose in the wrong place. This is why some think God's call is a call to spirituality and begin to search into everything spiritual, while others think it's a call to find themselves and begin a journey of self discovery.

It's hard to find God's true spiritual path of the covenant when Satan volunteers to be our path finder. It's like taking a trip to a faraway place. You're trying to find your way to the tourist center when this man walks up to you and tries to sell you an all-inclusive package to visit the wonderful and exotic places that only he knows about.

Everything sounds adventurous and exciting, and you trust this guy because he appears to know what he is talking about.

But you haven't seen the posters around town warning tourists not to trust themselves to this murderer and thief.

In the same way, when people hear the call of God, Satan is there to send them on another journey far away from God. How do you know that is true?



Because you come back to the same struggle, the same questions, the same emptiness, and the same disappointments. Does this describe your condition today?



God's Call Into Covenant With Him



A call into covenant is a call into Christ for the salvation of our souls. The Bible says that God created man in His image and likeness: “And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness,” Genesis 1:26. When Adam accepted Satan’s knowledge, he lost the likeness of God and gained Satan’s mindset.

Just as a father would be disappointed in a son who follows another path, because the father no longer sees in his son an image of himself, so God, in the same way, is disappointed with man. When he looks at man’s soul he does not see a

likeness of Himself. What does he see? He sees the likeness of Satan. This is the likeness man gained after Adam’s fall: “For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God,” Romans 3:23.

Jesus knows this to be true. This is why he referred to Satan as the “father” of the sinner (John 8:44). All sinners shall have their portion in the lake of fire because that is Satan’s destiny. Nothing of Satan can be allowed into God’s kingdom.

To change this, God provided man with a way back to Him. God gave man a chance to regain the likeness of God. God sent His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to die for the sins of the world, thereby offering forgiveness by a covenant of blood.

John 3:16

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”

Hebrews 13:20-21

“Now the God of *peace*, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting *covenant*, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.”

2 Corinthians 3:18

“But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same *image* from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.”

God is calling to you to believe the testimony of Jesus Christ, that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. Jesus is the Messiah, the Savior. He is the one who was prophesied to make reconciliation for the sins of the world, to blot out your transgressions, and to join you



back to God through Himself. Jesus shed His blood to provide the terms or grounds of the Second Covenant to sanctify your faith, that your faith may be pleasing to God.

Jesus rose again from the dead to establish a new priesthood in Himself, a living priesthood of knowledge to establish your communion with Him by this knowledge, that God might change you into His image by the power of the Holy Ghost.

You must believe this report and be baptized with the Holy Spirit, evidenced by speaking in tongues. It is by this engrafting of the Holy Spirit in you that you gain His likeness.

Step Three: Make the Decision to Come Into Covenant With God

Jesus said, “him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out,” John 6:37. God makes it easy for you to come to Christ that God might establish His testimony in you. All you need to do is respond to His grace and accept His invitation. If you believe that Jesus Christ died for your sins, and if you desire God’s forgiveness of sins, I invite you to respond to His grace by praying this prayer right now.



PRAYER

Almighty God, I humbly come before your throne of grace. I believe the testimony of Jesus Christ; that He is the Messiah, the Savior, that He is the one who was prophesied to come to seal our faith and make us complete in Him, and that it is His sacrifice that blots out our transgressions. I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, that He died to make reconciliation for the sins of the world to join me back to You through Himself.

I believe that Jesus Christ shed His blood to provide the terms or grounds of the Second Covenant to sanctify my faith, that my faith may be pleasing to You. I believe that Jesus rose again from the dead to establish a new priesthood in Himself, a living priesthood of knowledge to establish my communion with You by this knowledge that I might be changed into His image by the power of the Holy Ghost.



I ask that You forgive me for walking contrary to your covenant for I ignorantly worshiped what I did not understand. It is You that put a difference between truth and error, darkness and light, and I choose to leave the kingdom of sin and enter into your kingdom.

I am tired of living by Satan's lies, and I desire to walk on the true path of faith in Jesus Christ whereby I can regain your likeness. I accept your knowledge of faith and ask that You baptize me in the Holy Spirit and assist me to pray in tongues.

If you have prayed this prayer with faith in your heart, then God has forgiven you of your sins and declared you righteous. He will now seal your faith with the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and you will begin to speak in tongues that you may begin a relationship with Him.



God's 4-Step Program

To convert you to Christ God is bringing you through 4 steps of His own to claim you as His child.

1. The first step is *grace*: Grace is His voice that you are hearing right now, calling you. That is God's part, to provide you grace that you may believe in Jesus.
Ephesians 2:8-9
2. The second step is *faith*: That is your part. God's invitation to come into covenant is made effective upon grace entering into your heart. You need to yield to the grace of God and accept it. Your confession of faith means that you believe the testimony of Jesus Christ. *Ephesians 2:8-9*
3. The third step is *righteousness*: Upon seeing your heart of faith yielding to His grace God declares you righteous; you have met the standard God placed in His Son for faith to reflect Him, and you are now ready for the final step to come into covenant with God. *Romans 4:6,9,12*
4. The fourth step is the *seal of the Spirit*: The seal of the Spirit is the baptism of the Spirit evidenced by tongues. God needs to bring your faith into the house of Jesus Christ where He can properly care for you and nurture you. *Romans 4:11; Ephesians 1:13*



To learn more about these vital 4 steps of covenant faith watch the video, Second Covenant Faith. Learn how God first introduced these steps to our father Abraham, and why the Spirit draws our attention to these same steps in the book of Romans.

Learn why God planned for you to take these same 4 steps to come into covenant with Him through Jesus Christ.

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Which Way Now?

When God baptizes you with the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Christ will then be in you, and God's covenant sealed unto you. God designed the baptism of the Holy Spirit for covenant contact. Covenant is the door that is open to you in Christ for many wonderful things to now take place, which could not take place if you remained outside of covenant. It is through covenant contact that we experience these things:

1. God tests our faith
2. God establishes relationship
3. God receives fruit
4. We gain trust
5. We are brought into God's care
6. We are preserved in His framework of truth
7. We experience the circumcision of the heart

Let's look at little further to see God's spiritual provision for you. When God baptizes you with the Holy Ghost (witnessed by tongues) these things are taking place:

1. God separated you from the world unto Himself. You are now in covenant with God. Hebrews 8:6: "But now hath he (Jesus) obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises."

2. You are now born again. When God places His Spirit into you, He is causing a spiritual rebirth. You are born of the Spirit. John 3:6-7: "That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is Spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again." We can understand that what you learn now is about how to co-labor with the Spirit that the Christ-likeness might be manifested in you.

3. You are now a child of God. When God places His Spirit into you, He is adopting you into His family. Romans 8:15: "For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father." Galatians 4:5: "To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons."



Ephesians 1:5: “Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will.” We can understand that what you learn now is about how to walk as a son of God, how God’s nurtures a relationship with you.

4. God gives you an eternal inheritance. When God places His Spirit into you, it is an eternal bond. Your faith has eternal rewards. Ephesians 1:13,14: “In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise, which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.” We can understand that what you learn now is about how to keep your eyes on the hope that God placed before you.

5. You are baptized into the Body of Christ (to function in the priesthood). 1 Corinthians 12:13: “For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.” We can understand that what you learn now is about how to minister to God, serve Him, and your brethren in the fellowship of His love and Word. This is done through your priesthood.

Now that you have seen what God provided for you by sealing your faith with the baptism of the Holy Spirit, you need to be equipped with knowledge to know how to grow in the life of Christ. Arm yourself with knowledge and with the spiritual tools of Jesus’ covenant to keep yourself in the will of God, to keep yourself growing in His grace, increasing in knowledge, and abounding in love.

About Second 8th Week Ministries

Now is the time of restoration spoken of in Hosea 6:1-3. Second 8th Week[®] Ministries is a global outreach ministry dedicated to fulfilling God’s vision for the church and the world in this time of restoration by providing the true bridge of hope in the covenant of Jesus Christ.



Vision for Revival

God's vision for revival is the complete restoration of the true saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and the return of the church to His covenant knowledge. There is no other truth than that which God provided through Jesus Christ. There is no other Saviour, but Jesus. God is calling all Christians to embrace the original truth and covenant for which Jesus shed His blood.

Revival is a call to the church to come to order. Revival rarely follows man's agenda, as God moves in unexpected ways and goes to the very foundation to root out and to pull down those things of man that crept into the church. Revival always starts with a shaking. Lately, God has been revealing that He is shaking pulpits, shaking churches, and shaking those who sit in the pews. Shaking is good. It is the answer to many, many prayers to God to do a work in hearts.

Many Christian leaders recognize this shaking, and they are saying, "I find in myself this desperation, this sense that something is not right, but I don't know what it is. . .this dissatisfaction with my current spiritual status. There is this vague indefinable something that has lost the clarity, the crispness of oneness with Jesus." ~Barbara J. Yoder

Source: <http://www.charismamag.com/index.php/prophetic-insight/30434-what-is-this-revival-were-looking-for#ixzz1GmmAwyp9>

As we have just read, when God sends revival He first prepares hearts for repentance. It is clear, that as God reveals hearts, He is defining His perspective of revival. Revival is a call to change.

Knowing they have compromised faith, many, as Ms. Yoder, are saying, "I am coming to the place where I sense some state of compromise, of coming into agreement with so much—not just in the church, but in me—that is not really born of God." Does this describe your condition? Are you dissatisfied with your current spiritual state?

When God says that He is shaking pulpits, He is saying that He wants to unsettle the church, to shake the tight grip it has on the tradition of man and the wisdom of this world. As God begins to shake the pulpit, the confidence of the people begins to shake. Everywhere the shaking is taking place, believers are heard to say that they experience an inner sense that something is not right. God wants the church to understand that their focus is no longer on Jesus, but the things of this world.

God's vision of revival is to bring the church back to the true fountain of living waters. God's vision of revival means bringing the church back to our first love, the true covenant knowledge and priesthood of Jesus Christ, where faith pleases Him.



Just as God brings a repentant sinner to a point of admission by grace, concerning the state of his soul, so God also is bringing the church to a point of admission by grace, concerning the state of their souls.

Just as the state of the sinner is the result of years of embracing Satan's promises, so it is with those God is shaking in the current Christian culture. The condition of vagueness of faith is the result of many years of following after Satan's promises instead of God's covenant promises in Christ. This is what God is bringing to the attention of the church.

God's vision for revival is the restoration of the full and uncompromised covenant knowledge of Jesus Christ, a restoration of His priesthood, a restoration of His government, and a restoration of His spiritual tools. This is the jubilee of the church. By God's grace and the work of the Spirit we can minister this word to hungry hearts, providing ourselves as ready vessels of Christ to act as the bridge of hope to the world.

Vision

by Peter Bolduc

Second 8th Week Ministries

While reflecting on the countless thousands of man-made doctrines, which infect modern Christendom, the Lord gave me a vision of an extremely high, thick stone wall that went on beyond the horizon in both directions.

The wall was going across a field of rolling hills. My perspective was an aerial view, about 200 feet above the wall, looking out to the horizon. On the left side of the wall were endless roads and paths of various widths. Each dead-ended into the wall. In what appeared to be at the middle of the wall was a very small, very narrow path that led up to the wall and passed through a narrow gate and continued on to the horizon on the other side of the wall.

Reflection: Being created by God, each Adamite has an internal desire to know and have a relationship with God. Man, left to his own understanding, attempts to fellowship with God in many different ways. But there is only one path that leads to God, and that path is the covenant, which Christ came to establish in Himself.

“Blessed are they who respond to God's grace calling them into Christ's covenant, for they have chosen the single path, which He has sanctified to transition the soul from death unto life. Great shall their reward be.”



What is the Second 8th Week?



The Second 8th Week is man's appointment on God's calendar of events. Watch the 2-Part video:

<http://www.s8wministries.org>

The Second 8th Week is a revelation that God gave to Enoch about the end time revival and restoration of the church. God promises to visit His church to restore her to the purity of the true gospel of Jesus Christ. There are 5 things to watch for as the Second 8th Week unfolds:

1. Beginning of Sorrows
2. Jubilee of the Priesthood
3. Gathering of Israel
4. Separation of Wheat and tares
5. Restoration of the Church
6. Day of Visitation
7. Hour of Temptation

- Learn why God gave this time line to the prophet Enoch.
- What does the Bible say about Enoch?
- What does the Bible say about the church of the 6th week?
- Why is the 8th Week split in half?

Because God appointed the Second 8th Week as a time of restoration, it is also a time of temptation for the church. God is testing hearts and challenging the current Christian culture to change. Whom will you serve? The Jesus of tradition? Or the Jesus of covenant? The Jesus of your imagination? Or the Jesus that died for your sins?



The Founders of Second 8th Week Ministries

Second 8th Week Ministries was born in the heart of God. Before there were human vessels to carry out God's plan there was a desire in God's heart that the true saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and Word of His grace to restored to His people; to open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house (Isaiah 42:7).

Just as a fire begins with an ember, God's work began with Eric vonAnderseck and his wife, Maria. God used these two embers to light the fire of His glory all over the world.

Eric answered the apostolic call of God upon his life in 1977 and Maria was soon after confirmed into the government of God as a teacher. God raised up a leader in Apostle Eric to be an equipped of His government. Today, the 5 callings of God's spiritual government are restored and the true Body of Christ is emerging.



Apostle Eric (top left) and Teacher Maria (bottom left) and representatives of the growing, global network of apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers of the Second 8th Week®.

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There are many apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers God has called to join Apostle Eric and Teacher Maria to complete His work. Together, they are the Apostles Today Network of the Second 8th Week.

Bridge of Hope

Together, the Apostolic Stewardship of the Second 8th Week is God's bridge of hope. There is a lot of hurt in the world today because of those who said they are of God, but spoiled the faith of the people. God declares, "Many pastors have destroyed My vineyard, they have trodden My portion under foot, they have made My pleasant portion a wilderness" (Jeremiah 12:10).

A young man in his mid 20's recently asked, "Why is it that I feel dead? I feel dead in myself. I have no feelings of life in me." The problem is, false knowledge will not produce the substance of life in you. So, the knowledge of the world this young man was using was actually numbing his emotions. We can be sure that being of a young age he found a lot of things to pour his emotions into, but it left him feeling empty inside and dead towards God.



The knowledge of this world is like a corpse—it is dead. There is no substance in the knowledge of the world that we can use to reciprocate to God, whereas in the knowledge of God, the substance is there, and it reciprocates. The knowledge of God produces faith, and faith is a reciprocator—it responds. A corpse does not respond.

Satan promises that his knowledge will bring life and that you will feel full and complete and whole and abounding in hope, but it can only deliver temporal fulfillment. The soul knows its Maker and will never be satisfied with anything less than God Himself.

Never forget: The knowledge of this world cannot produce the substance of Christ—it cannot produce Christ. The knowledge of this world cannot leave any substance in the heart for faith. And this is why the heart feels empty and void of life. This is why many people ask, “Why is it that I feel dead in myself? I have no feelings of life within me.” On the other hand, the knowledge that God gives will produce substance because it was designed that way. By His divine power we reciprocate His likeness. This is what the soul craves.

God raised up a team of men and women to bring healing and restoration. There is now a clear path to this knowledge. We see the excitement growing: As the knowledge of the mystery of Christ is restored to hearts and minds, each Christian becomes a source of life for others. We are witnessing the miracle of life taking place.

“I experienced a spark of life, which I have not experienced in 17 years since confessing Jesus as my Savior.” ~Lynn (*Bible School graduate, BA*)

“When there are many voices. . .there’s not a settling, there’s not a foundation. . .you read a book from this one or that one about faith—there’s no true knowledge of the thing [faith].” ~Francis (*Bible School graduate, BA, Masters*)

Free Online Courses



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It’s true that nothing can satisfy your longing for God, but Jesus Christ; for God planned to engage with you in fellowship with the knowledge of Christ.

The courses, videos, audio files, charts, and illustrations, are all designed to help you learn how to know God in the fulness of Jesus Christ, to serve Him with perfect faith, and grow in the likeness of Christ.



In times past, when the church filled herself at the table of the world, she thought she was full, but her belly was empty. Satan was offering the church substance (knowledge) that did not give life to the soul. Christians thought they knew God by what they saw—a miracle here, a healing there, outbursts of emotions, testimonies of God’s intervention—they did not know the dangerous place of compromise, which they were in, until God began giving them dreams and visions to prepare them to make their way back to covenant faith.

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